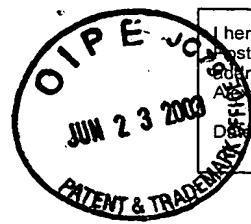


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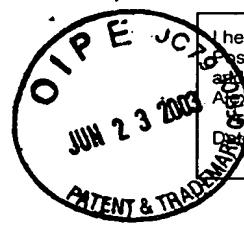
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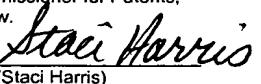
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In response to the Office Action dated March 31, 2003 (Paper No. 10), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:



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